

COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a continuation-in-part patent is sought on the invention entitled

PRIORITY APPARATUS HAVING PROGRAMMABLE NODE DWELL TIME

the specification of which

 X is attached hereto.

 was filed on as Application
Serial No. and was amended on .

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a), which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

USSN 317,100 (Appl. Serial No.)	2/28/89 (Filing Date)	Pending (Status)
097,775 (Appl. Serial No.)	9/17/87 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
712,492 (Appl. Serial No.)	3/15/85 (Filing Date)	Patented (Status)

I hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Michael H. Shanahan, Registration No. 24,438 and Kenneth L. Milik, Registration No. 30,963. Address all correspondence and telephone calls to Michael H. Shanahan, Wang Laboratories, Inc., One Industrial Avenue, M/S 014-B7D, Lowell, MA 01851, Telephone No. (617) 967-6020.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

(1010)
Full name of sole or first inventor David L. Whipple
Inventor's signature [Signature]
Date: 09/11/89
Residence 142 Hawthorn Road, Braintree, Massachusetts 02184, U.S.A.
Citizenship U.S.A.
Post Office Address Same as above.

Full name of second inventor _____
Inventor's signature _____
Date: _____
Residence _____
Citizenship _____
Post Office Address _____

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I/WE, David L. Whipple, residing at 142 Hawthorn Road, Braintree, Massachusetts 02184, U.S.A., have invented a PRIORITY APPARATUS HAVING PROGRAMMABLE NODE DWELL TIME for which a continuation-in-part application for United States Patent was executed this day.

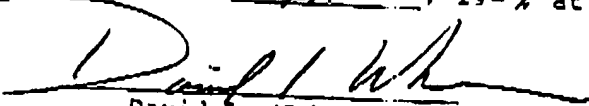
AND, WHEREAS, WANG LABORATORIES, INC., a corporation of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, having a place of business at One Industrial Avenue, Lowell, Massachusetts 01851, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any patents that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I/WE, the said David L. Whipple, hereby sell, assign and transfer, unto said WANG LABORATORIES, INC., the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Patents which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof.

I/WE hereby authorize and request the Patent and Trademark Office Officials in the United States and any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Patents, when granted, to said WANG LABORATORIES, INC., as the assignee of my/our entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and enjoyment of said WANG LABORATORIES, INC., its successors and assigns.

FURTHER, I/WE agree that I/WE will communicate to said WANG LABORATORIES, INC., or its representatives any facts known to me/us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisions, continuations, substitutions, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause said Patents to be issued to said WANG LABORATORIES, INC., make all rightful oaths or affirmations and generally do everything necessary or desirable to aid said WANG LABORATORIES, INC., its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United States and in and all foreign countries.

Executed this 11 day of SEPT., 1989 at Lowell, Massachusetts.


David L. Whipple

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

Before me, this 11th day of September, 1989, personally appeared the above-named David L. Whipple to me known, and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Assignment as his free act and deed.

[NOTARY SEAL]


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: April 27, 1995.